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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* KAUTZ JAMES C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	`	,	/liddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2004									cer (give title		Oth	er (specify ow)	
251 OAK RIDGE AVENUE				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)	reet) UMMIT, NJ X1 07901												X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Si	tate) (Z	Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea				2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		C	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, 5)			nd Securities Beneficially Owned		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
					C	ode	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Class A Common 02/2				1				S		4,000	D	\$17.677	345,781		I		Owned by Kautz Family Partners L.P. of which the undersigned is the general partner	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	le of ative conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Security Price of Derivative Security Price of Secu		4. Transac Code (I 8)	nstr.	5. Number		Expir (Mon	ration th/Day	expiration	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Number of Title Shares		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (E or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>Kathleen H. Wade under</u> <u>Power of Attorney for James C. 02/27/2004</u> <u>Kautz</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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